

Baltimore Data Day 2016

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How can you obtain police data

- Open Baltimore
- Submit an MPIA request (fees involved)
- Data sharing agreement (research requests)
- Certain restrictions apply
 - Juvenile data is not available to the public
 - Arrest Data for research must be obtained from the Maryland Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services (DPSCS)
 - Data will be anonymized to protect personal information.



Police Data

- <https://data.baltimorecity.gov/>
- <http://www.baltimorepolice.org/bpd-open-data>
- What is available:
 - Incidents—updated weekly
 - Arrests—update weekly
 - Executive Summary—updated weekly
 - Calls for Service—posted one-hour after call is closed
 - Map of Prostitution Arrests
 - Employee Demographics (new)



Upcoming Datasets

- Police Commissioner's commitment to transparency
- White House Police Data Initiative (PDI)
 - <https://publicsafetydataportal.org/>
- Code for America
 - Use of Force
 - Citizen Complaints
 - Officer Involved Shootings



How we use data

- Identify hot spots
- Discover crime patterns
- Link and identify suspects
- Adjust deployment
- Crime prevention
- Threat assessment



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